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PROPERTY SLUMP.

THE BOTTOM TOUCHED?

High Prices in Some Districts.

The slump in property has recovered somewhat, with the attainment of a little more stability in the case of outlying lands on the mainland. It has been disappointing to many to have to deal in these at 20 to 30 per cent. of the value attained at the peak of the boom, but that is the situation that could be done in some cases, and for the moment the speculators who figured so prominently in the recent rush are conspicuous by their absence.

This is not to say that the slump was an adverse factor in the development of the Colony, for businessmen, seen by a *Telegraph* representative to-day, are agreed on the point that the boom was an unnatural phase brought about mainly through the operations of the ubiquitous speculator, and that the results of the collapse in no way affected the healthy development and expansion of the Colony. This prick-in-the bubble is only localised, however, for in some instances values have been maintained until to-day they are even 100 per cent. higher than the period which saw the sale of the Old Post Office site and its conversion into the present China Building. We have seen that where the opportunity presents itself, properties in the central business district have been snapped up at high prices for their conversion into sky-scrapers to meet with the demand for business accommodation. But even this source becomes exhausted, and it is therefore conceivable that further expansion will have to take a more westward direction, right into what hitherto has been regarded as a purely Chinese district.

Numbers of new commercial buildings have been erected amidst the tenements in the district immediately east of a line drawn from the On Lok Yuen Restaurant and the Indian silk stores in Queen's Road Central, and the statement was made by an estate agent to-day that properties herein have changed hands for something like 100 per cent. over the price per square foot paid for the site on which the China Building stands. Of course the present high price includes the buildings that stand thereon, but these are mostly in a ramshackle condition and in the books of the buyers stand at practically nothing, as in most cases the intention is to pull them down and replace them by high modern edifices.

The most notable example of these is the block bought by the M. Y. San Company. Other properties in what is known as the Chinese bank district have recently changed hands at high prices, some, it is said, even higher than that attained at the peak of the recent boom.

Residential properties are so much appreciated in these days of house-shortage and high rents that very few owners have shown a willingness to dispose of them even with the tempting prices offered. This has particular reference to the middle levels, in Caine Road, Robinson Road and Bonham Road. "One must have a house to live in," said the estate official interviewed by our representative, in explaining the almost total absence of deals in these places. "But when there is a property for sale, it is bought at a price which more than maintains the value prevalent during the boom."

One opinion is that the recent collapse is due to the fact that speculators came to the end of their tether, and the speculative market has been exhausted. As far as could be ascertained, nothing developed from these searches, with the exception of the fact that a man found

THE HONGKONG SUNDAY.

IS CHURCH-GOING "RELIGION?"

We have received the following letters for publication:—

Sir,—Some people seem to have the idea that religion and religious life mean going to Church on Sundays, singing hymns and abstaining from all forms of exercise, recreation and even aids to charities. Do your advocates of "religious life" mean to imply that these are necessary conditions for attaining the Kingdom of Heaven and for being included among the "sheep" on the Day of Judgment? I have yet to find in the Bible the condition laid down that one must belong to any particular church or sect to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. The qualifications for being considered righteous and worthy of eternal life are very clearly stated in Matt. XXV 31-46.

As for keeping the Sabbath (Saturday) holy, I would refer your correspondent "Qui Tacit Sententia" to Mark II 23-27. It will be interesting to have some concrete proofs that "the prosperity of the British Nation has, to a very large extent been due to its observance of Sunday." Wild statements do not carry weight or conviction.

Yours, etc.,
ANTI-HUMBBUG.
Hongkong, Dec. 4th, 1924.

Sir,—I have perused the letter in your valuable paper objecting to the Bazaar for the Poor being held on a Sunday. May I crave a small space to explain the reason for holding same on that day? I am quite with your correspondent, when he says that Sunday should be properly observed. Your correspondent, however, has lost sight of the fact that the prizes have to be sorted, numbered and allotted to the different stalls.

Anyone will understand that a great amount of work is required to have the Bazaar a success, and as many as 60 persons' help is needed, the majority of whom are broad-earners. I think you will agree with me, Mr. Editor, that they cannot all obtain a day's leave just to work for charity, however deserving.

Thanking you for inserting this, and enclosing my card,
Yours etc.,
CO-WORKER.
Hongkong, Dec. 4, 1924.

Sir,—I am deeply interested in the correspondence on the point as to whether Hongkong is or is not irreligious. In my opinion, the whole issue boils down to one of definition. No one, I presume, suggests that the generality of people in Hongkong are determinedly anti-Christian or "anti" any other religion. Many may be indifferent to the calls of religion, but that is another matter.

In any case, I quite agree with your leading article that religion is more a matter of daily living than church going. And I think that the average Hongkong resident is just as upright and just as charitable as the average resident of any other place, either East or West.

Yours etc.,
HONESTY.
Hongkong, Dec. 4th, 1924.

ROBBERY EPIDEMIC.

POLICE ACTIVITY.

The recent recrudescence of outbreaks of armed robberies has led the police to redouble their activities at night.

By far the most rigid search was carried out the night before last, when numerous squads were detailed off for special search duty.

Two cars travelling homewards in the early hours of the morning were stopped in the Wanchoi district and their occupants searched. As far as could be ascertained, nothing developed from these searches, with the exception of the fact that a man found

OIL MAGNATE WEDS.

IN LONDON REGISTER OFFICE.

London, Dec. 4.
Sir Henri Deterding has married, in a London register office, a Russian lady, Mrs. Lydia Bagratouni.—*Reuter.*
[Sir Henri Deterding, K.B.E., head of the petroleum combine of



Sir H. Deterding.

the Royal Dutch, Shell, and associated concerns, was a widower. He was knighted in 1920 for services in connection with the supply of Naval oil fuel during the war.]

BRITISH NOTE TO POWERS.

WON'T BROOK MEDDLING IN EGYPT.

Geneva, Dec. 4.
Britain on November 19th sent a Note to the Secretariat of the League of Nations referring to the resolution of the Assembly on October 2nd, which held that the disarmament protocol was open to signature by non-members of the League.

As the terms of that resolution might suggest communication of the protocol to Egypt, the British Note recalls the British notification in 1922 to the other Powers on the subject of special Anglo-Egyptian relations defined in the declaration recognising Egyptian independence, which relations vitally involve the rights and interests of the British Empire; therefore any attempt at interference in the affairs of Egypt by another Power will be regarded as an unfriendly act. The Note says His Majesty's Government consequently is unable to admit that the protocol, if signed by Egypt, will enable the Egyptian Government to invoke the intervention of the League in the settlement of matters absolutely reserved to the discretion of His Majesty's Government.

The Secretary General has replied, enquiring whether the British Government intended the Note to be circulated to the Powers to whom the protocol was sent, and a reply received on December 3rd states that this was the British Government's desire.

The Note has accordingly been so circulated.—*Reuter.*

STILL HOPING.

CONFERENCES AND CONFERENCES.

Geneva, Dec. 4.
The sub-committee of the second opium conference continued their discussions to-day. The date of the plenary sitting of the conference depends upon the work accomplished by these committees.

It is now possible that this conference will not conclude before Christmas. An adjournment until after the holidays is mooted.

On the contrary, the first opium conference re-assembles tomorrow for the purpose of discussing the Chinese objection to the terms of the protocol. It is

LONDON PLOT.

AGAINST CABINET MINISTERS.

REVEALED BY LORD ALLENBY.

London, Dec. 4.
A sensational story is published in the *Daily Mail* to the effect that a plot has been discovered to assassinate prominent members of the Cabinet.

News of the conspiracy is supposed to have reached the Government in a despatch from Lord Allenby, High Commissioner in Egypt, the receipt of which was followed by a special meeting of the Cabinet.

The Cabinet meeting was succeeded by a conference of police chiefs, who arranged elaborate measures of protection and gave instructions to armed detectives to act drastically if necessary.—*Reuter.*

[The presumption from the above message is that the plot had been planned by Egyptians in London, and that Lord Allenby learned of the affair and advised the Government.]

TREATY WITH GERMANY.

SOME IMPORTANT CONCESSIONS.

RECIPROCAL TRADE ADVANTAGES.

London, Dec. 4.
The text of the Anglo-German commercial treaty is published.

It will remain in force for five years, and replaces, with modifications, the treaty passed in 1898. It secures for British subjects and British companies "national" treatment in Germany in respect of taxation and shipping, except possibly the coasting trade.

As the basis of the treaty is the most favoured nation treatment, legislation must be passed in Britain removing the wartime disability of German citizens and German companies in respect of their engaging in the non-ferrous metal industries and banking in the United Kingdom, and as regards employment of German seamen on British ships. "The great mass of prohibitions on the importation of goods into Germany, which impeded British trade, will be swept away. The most favoured nation clauses are to be interpreted very liberally.

Both parties agree to abstain from using their respective tariffs as a means of discrimination. Both adopt the provisions of the international conventions of trade and shipping concluded under the auspices of the League of Nations, notably those of Barcelona and Geneva.

The treaty applies not only to the United Kingdom, but the right to adhere to the treaty is accorded the Dominions and India, the Colonies, Protectorates and British mandated territories, whose goods shall enjoy the most favoured nation treatment by Germany; but the German Government is empowered to withdraw this privilege in respect of any place in the Empire which has not adhered to the treaty before September 1st, 1925.—*Reuter.*

SUN YAT-SEN.

WELCOMED AT TIENTSIN.

Tientsin, Dec. 4.
Sun Yat-sen, who arrived at the French Bund at noon to-day, was welcomed by a large group. This afternoon he was met by Chinese officials and

U.S. FINANCES SOUND.

FURTHER TAX REDUCTIONS.

Washington, Dec. 4.
Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, in his annual report to Congress predicted several years of prosperous and healthy conditions for the United States, such as succeeded the 1896 election.

He explained that this prediction was based on the fact that the verdict of Americans was overwhelmingly against "various theories inconsistent with economic laws." He added that the United States was the first nation to come through the post-war transition stage successfully, but America's commerce and industry must maintain its anchor to windward in the future world trade, for as America had



recovered, so now Europe was becoming stabilised, thanks to the Dawes plan.

Although it was true that the improved situation in Europe would benefit the United States, Mr. Mellon warned his audience that "cheaper" production and lower standards of living abroad would compel closer calculation on the part of America to meet competition in the world's markets. The past four years had witnessed a cut in the per capita tax on the United States, from fifty-four to twenty-seven dollars, while the public expenditure, which in 1920 exceeded sixty-five hundred millions, had been reduced during the past year to thirty-five hundred million.

Forecasting further tax reduction, Mr. Mellon declared that the reductions already effected had been of great service to business. He uttered a warning against utilisation of the field of taxation as "a field for socialistic experiment, or as a club to punish success."—*Reuter's American Service.*

CHINESE SAILORS.

REFUSED LANDING AT MANILA.

Manila, Dec. 4.
Pending instructions from Governor-General Wood, the Constabulary have prevented 22 Chinese sailors landing from the schooner *Lee Tong*, of Portuguese registry, from Amoy, which was wrecked off the coast of Pagsanjan on November 24; as they fear a clash with the natives.—*Daily Bulletin.*

CO-OPERATION.

MR. COOLIDGE ADVISES.

Chicago, Dec. 4.
President Coolidge in a speech at a luncheon here, said they could no more ensure stable peace without co-operation among the nations than they could secure victory without alliances. America must continually be ready to help at home and abroad where aid was desired.

KOWLOON BUS INCIDENT.

CONDUCTOR'S ALLEGED ABUSIVE LANGUAGE.

Mr. F. O. Gourdin appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day to prosecute a bus conductor for using abusive language on the afternoon of the 24th November. Defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Gourdin, giving evidence, said that he was travelling on defendant's bus from the Star Ferry at 4.30 p.m. on Monday, the 24th November, when he politely requested the defendant to refrain from sounding his whistle so loudly. Defendant replied that it was necessary to sound his whistle loudly, as the driver would otherwise be unable to hear it. Later, the conductor amused the Chinese passengers with a monologue and then used abusive language towards the complainant and said in Chinese "Wait till you want to alight, I'll blow my whistle softly and see if you can get down." Witness spoke to him about his language and also referred his remarks to an inspector who was present. Witness had endeavoured to discover the name of the inspector so as to call him as a witness, but the Bus Company (the Kowloon Motor Bus Company) refused to divulge his name.

The case was adjourned for one week and a subpoena issued against the inspector.

OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MR. LUK KING-NAM.

It is with the sincerest regret that we record the death of Mr. Luk King-nam, the assistant comprador in Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company's comprador department, Hongkong, which occurred at his Macao residence on Wednesday morning from chronic bronchitis.

The deceased gentleman, who was 66 years of age, was a most respected member of the local Chinese community, and he leaves a wife and one son to mourn their loss. Over forty years ago, the deceased was comprador of a local firm, but later he took up newspaper work, being for many years editor of the *Wah Tsz Yat Po*, on resigning which post he became connected with *Hongkong Commercial News*, the organ of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, when that journal was inaugurated some years back. Subsequently, however, he again turned to commerce and joined Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company's comprador department, where he displayed much zeal and ability in business affairs.

A man of commanding presence and remarkable energy for his age, the deceased was highly respected by all who enjoyed the pleasure of his friendship. He can be described as one of the best types of the Chinese gentleman—always courteous, kindly in nature and of an altogether charming disposition. For very many years, he served the *Hongkong Telegraph* as a translator of news from the vernacular newspapers, rendering much-appreciated service, and it is with a very real sense of our loss that we record his demise.

CANTON CONDITIONS.

GETTING BACK TO NORMAL.

News to hand shows that the task of re-building the devastated quarters of Canton is now well in hand, and the city is rapidly returning to normal conditions. Those of the inhabitants who left at the time of the recent disturbances are now returning to their homes.

OUR POST OFFICE.

ALTERATION SCHEME.

Big Outlay Involved.

The work of the postal authorities in Hongkong has increased so tremendously in the course of the last three or four years that many months ago it was decided to provide additional accommodation by utilising the first floor of the Post Office Building.

After the lapse of many months, it has now been decided to commence the structural alterations necessary in January, it being estimated that \$200,000 will be expended before the completion of the work.

The P. and O. Building having been completed, it will be no longer possible for the Post Office to use the side lane, and one of the principal changes will be the opening up of the Praya side of the Post Office Building as the new entrance for incoming mails.

"SILLY YARNS."

BOAT PEOPLE'S EXCUSES.

The illegal practice of sampans containing boarding-house runners making fast to vessels before they have tied up to their buoys, was the subject of a charge against three boat women at the Marine Court this morning, the charge being of making fast to the s.s. *Tjilliwong* whilst the vessel was under way.

It was stated by the police that the vessel had just come into port and was on her way to the quarantine anchorage. Whilst the boat was still under way, a number of sampans came alongside and made fast to the vessel by means of hooks, boarding-house runners from the boats climbing up the side of the ship and thus getting aboard before they ought to have done.

Each of the defendants made some excuse, his Worship (Lieut.-Com. G. F. Hole, R.N.), remarking that he did not listen to silly yarns like that.

A fine of \$10 or ten day's hard labour was inflicted in each case.

DUMB OR NOT?

A POLICE COURT PUZZLE.

A supposedly mute Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with the theft of \$25 from a Shanghai Chinese on board the s.s. *Shantung* yesterday.

On being told that the man was either unable to speak or refused to do so, his Worship said that he did not know how he could try the man, as he was unable to cross-examine or make a statement in his own defence.

Inspector Angus:—If he is going to visit ships and do this, it will make it difficult for the police.

His Worship was told that the man could only write his own name.

The Inspector said that the defendant gave the money to two other men after picking the complainant's pocket and these two men managed to escape.

After hearing the evidence of a member of the crew who saw defendant take the money from the complainant's pocket, the case was adjourned for one week.

U.S. TREASURY BONDS.

Washington, Dec. 4.
A Treasury long-term bond issue of approximately two hundred million dollars, the first since 1913, has been authorised by the House of Representatives.

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CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

PREVENTION SOCIETY'S
ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hong-
kong Society for the Prevention of
Cruelty to Animals was held in the
Board room of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson and Company, yesterday
evening. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.,
presided, and was supported by Mr.
H. L. Frost (Hon. Secretary), Mr. O.
Skinner (Hon. Treasurer) and mem-
bers of the Committee.

Sir Henry Pollock shortly review-
ed the work of last year. He men-
tioned that cruelty to animals had
considerably decreased owing to the
educational propaganda carried out
by the Society. Their object all
along had been to educate the
Chinese and not to prosecute except
in very serious cases. He was told
a rather interesting fact the other
day as showing that the spirit which
started that Society had taken root
elsewhere, and that was that they
were actually forming a similar
society in Canton for the prevention
of cruelty to animals (Hear hear).

A lethal chamber had been estab-
lished at the Government Labora-
tory. With regard to the Dogs'
Home, it would be seen from the
report that it became
necessary during the past year,
owing to the reclamation work at
North Point, to close the Dogs'
Home in the neighbourhood of
Causeway Bay. Thanks to the
generosity of the Government they
had obtained a site for a new Dogs'
Home at Kowloon and the Govern-
ment had already erected tem-
porary quarters there. Those
quarters were by no means
ideal and he believed that
the Sub-Committee in charge of the
Dogs' Home would be shortly ad-
dressing the Government upon cer-
tain improvements which would
make the Home more suitable for
the purpose.

The Rabies Scare.

Owing to the recent rabies scare
the police had been very active late-
ly in collecting stray dogs and plac-
ing them in the Home. He had
been informed by Mr. Frost that as
the result of that campaign by the
police in Kowloon it had been found
necessary to destroy as many as 120
dogs during the last ten days. Mem-
bers would, therefore, appreciate the
fact that the accommodation in the
Dogs' Home had been lately taxed
to its uttermost. As they noticed
from the report, it was considered
the time had come when it was
necessary to start an additional
Dogs' Home on the Hongkong side
of the harbour. He had, been in
communication with the Colonial
Secretary (Sir Claude Severn) on the
subject of a site, and although
nothing had been definitely fixed up
at present, he was hoping that a
good site would eventually be found
in the neighbourhood of East Point.

A new Dogs' Home would involve
the engagement of a fourth Inspec-
tor. In this connection the Chair-
man drew attention to the general
account, pointing out to those in-
terested in the welfare of dogs—and
he believed there were very many
in the Colony—that if another
Inspector was appointed it would
mean that they must secure greater
support from the general public.
There was a large number of animal
lovers in the Colony, and he hoped
and believed they would come for-
ward with special donations, as well
as ordinary subscriptions, in order
to aid them in carrying on the work.

New Cruelty to Animals Bill.
The report, Sir Henry Pollock
said, was ample evidence that the
Society was doing a great educa-
tional work among the Chinese and
that they were fully worthy of all
the help that could be given. It
was hoped that the new Cruelty to
Animals Bill would very shortly be
ready for presentation to the Legis-
lative Council. The Chairman ex-
pressed his indebtedness for all the
help he had received in this connec-
tion from the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kiang,
K.C., the Attorney General, and Mr.
A. Dyer Ball, the assistant Attorney
General.

The Chairman mentioned that a
sum of \$10,000 had been presented by
Lady Clara Ho Tung to the Society
and had been placed on mortgage to
constitute an endowment fund,
to be called the "Sir Robert Ho
Tung Endowment Fund." The Hong-
kong Jockey Club during the past year
had repeated again their generous
gift of \$1,000 towards the funds of
the Society, and they continued to
receive the sum of \$300 from Mr.
J. P. Pato towards the funding of the
Dogs' Home. The Society's best thanks
were due for these generous donations.

THE LATE MR. WONG
SHING.INTERESTING
POSTHUMOUS CEREMONY.

A posthumous anniversary
celebration was held at the Man
Kwok Restaurant, West Point, on
Thursday night, by the descendants
of one of the oldest families of
Hongkong to celebrate the occasion
of the late Hon. Mr. Wong Shing's
101st birthday.

It will be remembered by many
old residents of the Colony
that the late Hon. Mr. Wong
Shing was the first Chinese
member of the Legislative Council,
and was one of the founders of the
Tung Wah Hospital and Po Leung
Kook. During his life time Mr.
Wong Shing was very popular
amongst his colleagues and friends.
The party, composed of 54 of his
direct male and 50 female des-
cendants, spent a most enjoyable
evening together with a number of
more distant relatives and friends.

The Government of Hong-
kong had kindly promised to con-
tribute \$2 for every \$1 collected by
the Society in subscriptions or
donations up to a sum of \$5,000 per
annum. That was another reason
why he would urge those interested
in the work to be liberal in their
donations (Hear hear). They all
very much appreciated this gener-
osity on the part of the Govern-
ment, for in addition the Govern-
ment had provided a site for the
Dogs' Home at Kowloon and erect-
ed temporary quarters there.

With regard to membership, Sir
Henry Pollock mentioned that there
were 21 Life Members and 407
Ordinary Members on the Books,
but he regretted that during the
past year only 270 Ordinary Mem-
bers had paid their subscriptions.
The Committee would be glad if all
members would make it a point to
send in their subscriptions for this
year, and those who had not already
paid, for last year as well, to Mr.
Skinner, their Hon. Treasurer, at the
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, as
soon as possible.

Sir Henry Pollock paid a tribute
to the services of Mr. Frost as
Secretary, and concluded by pro-
posing the adoption of the report
and accounts.

The motion was seconded by Mr.
F. H. Dillon, and was unanimously
carried.

Election of Officers.
The Chairman proposed the name
of Mr. B. L. Frost as President for
the year, a motion that was second-
ed by Inspector Fisher and carried
with acclamation.

Other elections were: Vice Presi-
dent, Mr. A. Stevenson; Hon.
Secretary, Mr. B. L. Frost; Assis-
tant Hon. Secretary, Miss C. O.
Frost; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. O.
Skinner.

The following were elected to
serve on the Committee:
Lady Clara Ho Tung, Lady Pollock,
Mrs. Baker, Mrs. De Martin, Mrs.
Dyer, Mrs. Charles Van Ufford, Mrs.
P. J. Wodehouse, Mrs. Remington,
Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mrs. Hyland, Hon.
Mr. Chow Shou-son, Mr. J. P. Braga,
Mr. F. H. Dillon, Mr. H. B. L.
Daxbiggin, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Capt.
Oxapring, R.A.V.C., Mr. A. F. B. Silva
Netto, Dr. Williams, Hon. Mr. R. H.
Kotewall, Mr. Li Wing-kwong, Mr.
M. P. Talati, Sir Henry Pollock and
Dr. MacGowan.

Thanks to Returning President.

At the conclusion of the business,
Mr. A. F. B. Silva Netto referred
to the services rendered to the
Society by their retiring President,
Sir Henry Pollock. Sir Pollock had
taken a very great interest in the
Society since its inception and Mr.
Silva Netto, thought they could not
leave the room without thanking him
most sincerely for all he had done.
Although relieved of the duties of
President, he hoped Sir Henry
Pollock would continue to take a
very deep and practical interest in
the affairs of the Society (Applause).

Sir Henry Pollock, in reply,
thanked Mr. Silva Netto for his
kind words. He only wished that
the time at his disposal had en-
abled him to do more. He still
had much to do in connection with
the Cruelty to Animals Bill, and
certain work next year had re-
sulted in making him come to the con-
clusion that he must be relieved of
the position of President. It had
given him great pleasure to work
for the Society, and he hoped to
attend the Committee meeting in
the future as often as he had time
to spare (Applause). He felt that
Mr. J. Pato's towards the funding of the
Dogs' Home, and the Society's best
thanks were due for these generous donations.



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The Ying Wah Girls' School of
the London Missionary Society
will benefit considerably as the
result of a sale of work held at the
Union Church, in Kennedy Road,
yesterday afternoon. The proceeds
are to go towards the erection of
the new School in Bonham Road,
the site for which, valued at a
quarter of a million dollars, has
been given by the London Mis-
sionary Society. A sum of one
hundred thousand dollars is
required for the new school build-
ing, of which the Government
have kindly promised \$50,000,
leaving the other half to be raised
by public subscription.

For some time effort have been
made privately towards obtaining
the required sum, but yesterday's
was the first public function to be
held in connection with this
campaign. The sale of work was
opened by Lady Severn at 8 o'clock,
when there was quite a good gather-
ing present, principally ladies.
The stalls were arranged outside
the Church building and were
heavily laden with an assortment of
useful and fancy articles and
seasonable gifts. They were
presided over by a capable and
enthusiastic band of ladies, who
did a good business throughout the
whole afternoon and succeeded in
disposing of practically everything
there was to offer. The sale offered
an excellent opportunity for fond
parents to purchase their Xmas
gifts, which were priced at figures
to suit all pockets. An interesting
stall was that under the supervision
of Miss Helen Davies, the foundress
and manageress of the Ying Wah
Girls' School, who was assisted by
a number of girls from the School.

Lady Severn was introduced to
the assembled company by the
Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, the
minister of the Church. He said
they were met that afternoon in
the interests of an object which,
he was sure, would commend itself
more to them the more that they
knew about it. Hongkong had
many interesting and useful
institutions, but he did not think
that any had a better claim on
public sympathy than that of the
Ying Wah School for girls, whose
foundress and manageress they had
with them that day in Miss Helen
Davies, whose life work had
been devoted to the interests of the
institution.

A Worthy Work.

The School was well known
to many Chinese residents of
the Colony and to a few Euro-
pean residents also, and they all
spoke with knowledge of the very
useful and worthy work that had
been done there for a long time.
It had been extending of
later years, and it had become
necessary to build new buildings
and to enlarge the school. The
sale was a very successful one,
and the proceeds were very much
needed for the new school building.

been given by the London Mis-
sionary Society in Bonham Road,
and \$20,000 had been spent on
preparing the ground. A sum of
\$100,000 was required for the
building, of which the Govern-
ment was very generously
prepared to give half, leav-
ing \$50,000 to be raised.
He did not know how much they
could do towards that, but he
hoped it would be enough to
justify the effort that
had been made by the ladies of the
congregation of Union Church, who
had been assisted by the ladies of
the congregation of the new Church
at Kowloon, which did not exist a
year ago.

Proceeding, Mr. Macdonald said
he might be forgiven for referring
to one little matter to which he
was glad to draw attention. A
year ago they were somewhat in
trouble over the building of a Chi-
nese Girls' School near the Church.
They thought they were aggrieved,
and thought so still, with regard to
the site, about which they were not
consulted and which was taken
from their possession. An impres-
sion had somehow got about that
they as a congregation were
unfriendly, but he ventured to
think that their efforts that after-
noon in the interests of the educa-
tion of Chinese girls would dissipate
that idea. They had nothing but
goodwill towards every effort of
that nature, and as a token of it
there was a stall there that day
provided by the staff of the School
and girl helpers and friends. In
conclusion, Mr. Macdonald in-
troduced Lady Severn, expressing
the pleasure it gave them to
see her there that afternoon and
gratitude for her help and the
interest her presence added to the
occasion (Applause).

Lady Severn's Speech.

Lady Severn, in a happy little
speech, spoke of the great and
good object of the sale, mentioning
that she had paid a visit to the
Ying Wah Girls' School about a
year ago and was very interested in
the work which was being carried
on there. She was pleased to
know that they were going to have
a new School building and she
trusted the sale would be a great
success. She had great pleasure
in declaring the sale open.
(Applause.)

During the whole of the after-
noon, business was brisk at all the
stalls. The ladies who presided at
the various stalls were as follows:

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Mrs. Milne, Mrs. Gerrard, Mrs.
Craig, Mrs. Cobby, Mrs. Dalrymple,
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chell, Mrs. Muir, Mrs. Horn, Mrs.
Thornburn, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs.
Pryce, and Mrs. McMurtry.
Children's Stalls and Bazaar: Mrs.
Macdonald, Mrs. Blair, Mrs.
Forsythe and Mrs. P. Brown.
Sweets: Miss Annie Miller and
Miss Phyllis Brown.
School Stalls: Mrs. Davies and
Miss Helen Davies.

ASSAULT CASE.

A TRADE FIGHT.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, yester-
day afternoon, Mr. D. McCallum
defended two Chinese who together
with another appeared before Mr.
E. W. Hamilton on charges of
assault and intimidation. Mr. G. S.
Hugh-Jones represented the com-
plainant, a licensed hawk and
master of conservancy coolies.

The case for the prosecution,
according to Mr. Hugh-Jones, was
that the second defendant met and
spoke to the complainant with
reference to the contract of the
removal of night soil in Kowloon,
which contract the complainant
held. For some reason which had
not been disclosed this defendant
told the complainant that he
was to discontinue the contract or
in the alternative of that he was to
give him some money. The com-
plainant refused to abide by the
request and on the 10th November
the second defendant called at
his house and asked him to go
outside as he wanted to speak
to him. Besides the complainant
himself his wife and a man who
lives there, were present when the
defendant paid his visit. On arrival
in the street the complainant
found the other two defendants
and a crowd standing around. He
was again demanded to give up his
contract, but refused. The second
defendant, who appeared to be
the ringleader, then ordered the
others to assault the complainant,
who proceeded to arrest the man
and walked him towards the police
station. They had not proceeded
far when the crowd demanded the
release of the defendant which the
complainant was not prepared to
do. The first defendant then
struck him in the eye with his fist.
The complainant fell down and
the second defendant escaped and
the people proceeded to disperse.
A Chinese detective in plain clothes
was there and witnessed the
whole of the proceedings. He at
once arrested the third defendant
who took part in the fight. The
other two defendants (Mr. Mc-
Callum's clients) were arrested
later by virtue of a warrant.

Evidence was then heard and
during the course of the cross ex-
amination Mr. McCallum put
questions to the complainant to the
effect that the second defendant
being of the similar profession as
he, was his rival and they were
continuously having disputes re-
garding the removal of the night
soil from certain residences. The
complainant denied all the ques-
tions put to him. Witnessing at the
end of the evidence for the prosecution
said that he had no doubt that
there had been disputes between
these two men and told the defend-
ing solicitor to answer the charges
as truthfully as possible.
The case was adjourned till
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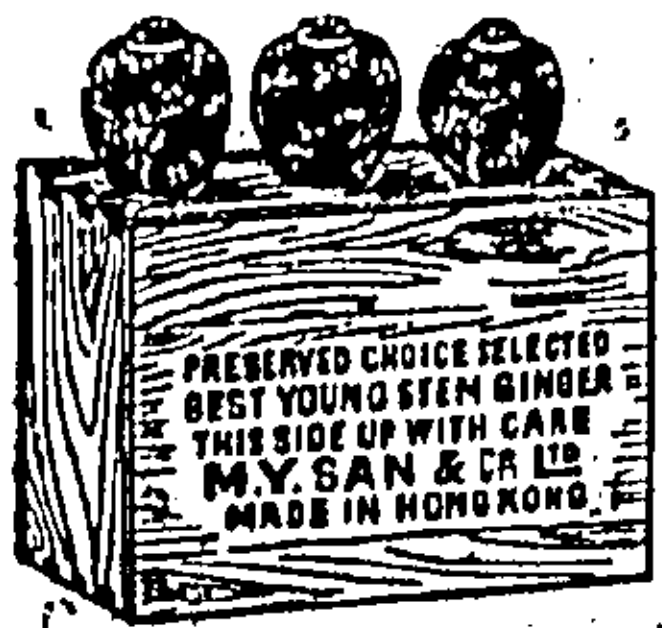
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— AT —

ANDERSON'S**COMMODORE GRACE
HONOURED.****YACHT CLUB DINNER.**

There was a particularly happy gathering at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club last evening, a number of fellow yachtsmen meeting at a dinner in honour of Commodore H. E. Grace who is shortly leaving the Colony. The gymnasium was decorated with all kinds of bunting and as the company sat down a Commodore's pennant was broken out over the table. Capt. Arthur, the Commodore of the Club presided and was supported by Sir Claud Severn, Mr. E. W. Carpenter (Vice-Commodore) and others. An excellent repast was provided and at a later stage the evening made merry with song.

The loyal toast—having been honoured Capt. Arthur proposed the health and prosperity of Commodore Grace. In so doing he remarked on the way in which the members appreciated the honour of having the Commodore with them. The whole time he had been in the Colony he had been a pillar of strength to the Yacht Club and although he had been associated with many sports clubs of the Colony he thought the Yacht Club had been his favourite (Applause). As a member of the committee his services and advice had been most valuable and they would all regret his departure very much. He had been an exceptionally keen yachtsman and in addition to a good winner had always been a good loser (Applause). In conclusion he said it was his pleasure to ask Commodore Grace to accept a small token on behalf of all the members present and hoped it would always remind him of the many friends and well wishers he was leaving behind him. (Applause).

Commodore's Speech.

In reply Commodore Grace first voiced thanks to the lady who had spent so much time and care in decorating the gymnasium and to all those who had helped to make the affair such a success. He thanked Capt. Arthur for his kind words. It was a difficult matter for him to say good-bye after two and a half years, for he had made more genuine friends during that time than he had ever made in any other place. He was astonished at the size of the gathering—it made him realise the honour they were doing him. He desired to say how he appreciated the fact that his fellow members had received him in their own building—they were at home in their own Yacht Club. (Applause). He was proud and pleased to have been received there but when he looked round it made him think of the friends never to be seen there again. Two of them were Mr. Smyth and Mr. Lowe.

They proved themselves real friends of the Club and he could only voice regret that they were no longer present. It was a pleasure to see two ex-Commodore's present, Mr. Dennison and another ancient friend, Sir Claud. (Laughter and Applause). Their old friend Ah Mow was present, for no gathering at the Yacht Club was complete without him. He was never at a loss as was shown recently when at his instigation several lives were saved from an overturned sampan off the Yacht Club. (Applause).

The Pennant.

Continuing the Commodore spoke of "our island spirit" and the manner in which it was carried, wherever we went. Wherever we went we carried our love of the sea. He then produced a Commodore's pennant suitably inscribed which had been won recently by the Club yachtsmen from the Navy. Last year, he said, the Navy won the Club burgee and he should always treasure that. They were now all would give Home helm men a shake-square but he hoped that next year the Club would give the Navy the chance of winning another burgee to show that Britannia still ruled the seas. (Applause). He proposed the toast of the Yacht Club.

Later Mr. E. Cock replied and remarked that they were a virile little club. They did not number as many as they could hope to but if all the gentlemen who had come to dinner came to sail they would have the finest yacht club in all the world except America (Laughter and Applause). There was no place in the world, he thought, where a yachtsman could get first class sailing at so moderate a cost as in Hongkong. And he thought that if Hongkong helm men went home with their Chinese boys as crew they

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.**A PARIS SENSATION.**

Paris, Dec. 4.
The latest sensation in Paris is the return of ex-Captain Sadoul, ex-French Communist, who was sentenced to death in 1919 for giving intelligence to the enemy. He is now a naturalised Russian.

The *Petit Parisien* says that M. Sadoul is attached to the Soviet Embassy, which the French police are watching with the intention of arresting M. Sadoul immediately he emerges.

Le Journal and *Le Matin* are informed that M. Sadoul is not in Embassy which told them that the Russians will scrupulously adhere to the promise not to interfere in French domestic affairs. *Le Matin* says M. Sadoul is not in hiding but has returned expressly to contest the death sentence.

Later.

M. Sadoul has been arrested at his lawyer's office.—*Reuter*.**ASSISTANCE FOR GREECE.**

London, Dec. 4.

Underwriting arrangements are proceeding for another European Reconstruction Loan, of nearly \$12,500,000, under the auspices of the League of Nations, for the purpose of the resettlement of Greek refugees. Seven and a half millions will be issued in London, two and a half in Greece and the remainder in America. The issue price will be 88 and interest 7 per cent. The loan is redeemable within forty years.—*Reuter*.

SPAIN AND MOROCCO.

Gibraltar, Dec. 4.

There are disquieting rumours from Morocco, including a reliable report that the Spaniards have been compelled to abandon the post of Rio Martin, near Tetuan.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH COAL PRODUCTION.

Paris, Dec. 4.

The output of French coal mines for October 1924, amounted to 4,103,516 tons as against 3,837,878 in September.—*Havas*.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN LEAVES FOR ROME.

London, Dec. 4.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain left for Paris from Victoria Street this morning en route to Rome.—*Reuter*.

M. KRASSIN IN PARIS.

Paris, Dec. 4.

M. Krassin, the new Soviet Ambassador, has arrived from Berlin.—*Reuter*.

U.S.R.C. TENNIS.**YESTERDAY'S FINALS.**

The weather was none too kind for the finals of the U.S.R.C. Handicap Tennis Tournament yesterday, but the shower which did fall was not enough to stop play and all events were successfully concluded. Several members and friends gathered and saw some exceedingly good tennis.

It was unfortunate that indisposition caused Lt. Commr. Worthington to scratch in the final of the Men's Singles, and this also led to the final of the Mixed event being abandoned as he with Miss P. Grace, was in that also.

The Men's Doubles produced a great game, Col. Russell Brown partnered by Capt. West, beating Capt. Oxspring and Mr. A. S. Horsee from the owe 15-2 Mark. The losers received 30. The first set went to 11-9 and in the second the winners were more prominent and won 6-2.

Another fine match was seen in the final of the Ladies Singles, Miss Peck (rec. 3) beating Miss P. Grace (owe 80) by 6-2, 2-6, 14-12. The score speaks for itself. The complete scores are given below.

After the matches Mrs. Russell Brown kindly presented the prizes. In introducing her Major Greenwood commented on the excellent games seen and on the splendid handicapping that had resulted in such fine games.

Details.—
Men's Doubles (final); Col. Russell Brown and Capt. West (owe 15-2) beat Capt. Oxspring and Mr. A. S. Horsee 11-9, 6-2.

Men's Singles; Roy, N. Evan, (rec. 15-1) w. o. Lt. Comm. Worthington (owe 40) scr.

Ladies Singles.—Miss Peck (rec. 3) beat Miss P. Grace (owe 80) 6-2, 2-6, 14-12.

Ladies Doubles.—Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Wedehouse (rec. 15-1) beat Lady Stuart Taylor and Miss P. Grace (owe 80) 7-5, 6-4.

ing up. He paid tribute to the guest of the evening, and said that he had been among them and of them and thanked him for the help he had given and the sporting spirit he had encouraged ever since he had come to Hongkong. (Applause).

Sir Claud Severn also spoke and after thanking Mr. Tickle for all the trouble he had taken to make the affair such a success went on to

SINGAPORE SERVICE.**OLD QUESTION UP AGAIN.**

(Our Own Correspondent)

Singapore, Dec. 4.

The colour bar agitation has spread since the Governor's declaration that there would be no change in the policy of the last Legislative Council. Every Asiatic community except the Malays is organising a petition to send to the Secretary of State.

A leader in the *Malaya Tribune* suggesting that the Malay apathy is due to the fact that the Malays have accepted a bribe in the form of admission to the junior civil service, has provoked a letter in the *Malay Mail* signed with the pseudonym "A Malay," which declares that the Malays do not desire Chinese participation in the Government. The letter says that the Malays sought the protection of the British because of the plundering of the early Chinese adventures. The Malays' attitude would be self-contradictory, if they asked admission of Chinese into the Government services. This letter is refuted by Malays in the Settlements who deny that it represents the position of educated Malays.

At present the situation remains unchanged. Great dissatisfaction is expressed everywhere at the Governor's statement and the organisation of petitions to London is going on apace.

Later.

It was announced this afternoon that the meeting of the Legislative Council which should take place in January has been postponed till February the second.



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Hongkong, 3rd. December, 1924.

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The success of the thieves in breaking into Loxley's godown which is situated just beside the Shameen Club, in the most popular part of the British concession, has (says the Gazette) aroused considerable speculation in view of the fact that two policemen are stationed in the vicinity, while the breaking of the iron bars must have caused a big noise.

MISSIONARY NEWS.

The Rev. Mr. Jaffray, Mr. Willis, the two Misses Marsh and several other members of the Alliance Mission stationed at Wuchow left Hongkong for that port on Wednesday. Mr. Jaffray will be remembered in connection with the bandit outrages in Kwangsi some time ago, whilst Mr. Willis is a former banker of Montreal and Toronto who has decided to devote his life to the missionary cause. The older Miss Marsh has been stationed at Wuchow for some time, and her younger sister from Liverpool now accompanies her. The Rev. Mr. McMillan, another of the Alliance missionaries, is said to be leaving for Wuchow to-day. The houseboat used by Mr. Lang, from which he preaches to the boat population on the Foo River, luckily escaped destruction in the Wuchow fire.

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AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

BIG ATTENDANCE AT MATCH.

Brisbane, Dec. 4.—In pleasant weather and with a perfect wicket three thousand people attended a match in which an Australian eleven scored 299 for 5, Ponsonby making 81, Hendry 68 and O'Connor 50. —*Reuter.*

THE PEKING SITUATION.

WU PEI-FU A FUGITIVE.

Hankow, Dec. 4.—The *Central China Post* learns that Wu Pei-fu fled from Loyang on Monday as the result of an ultimatum from the Shensi commander, followed by a mutiny of his own bodyguard. The latter have turned *tuft*. Wu Pei-fu was travelling to Hankow, but returned to Chengchow on receipt of a telegram from Hsiao Yuo-nan. —*Reuter.*

Tientsin, Dec. 4.—Sun Yatsen has arrived and taken up his headquarters in the Japanese concession. He is expected to leave for Peking in two or three days time. —*Reuter.*

Hankow, Dec. 4.—*Reuter* learns from official sources that Hsiao Yuo-nan has telegraphed Wu Pei-fu advising his retirement in view of the present situation. Wu Pei-fu has replied to the effect that he is so doing and resting indefinitely at Sinyungchow.

The *Central China Post* learns that Wu Pei-fu arrived at Sinyungchow early this morning. Chang Fuh-shi's twenty-fourth division have reported that they blew up the Yellow River bridges at nine-thirty on the night of the third. —*Reuter.*

MEDIAEVAL CAT.

With "Direful Voice."

The *Cornhill Magazine* for October is particularly strong. Its features include, in addition to the hitherto unpublished letters of Gladstone, a lively account of the deposition of Pompeii, by Sir Robert Baden-Powell, an account full of colour of prospecting in Northern Queensland, and a delightful essay by Professor Latham on The Cabinet of Smiles. There is a good trade union story, The Greatest Good to the Greatest Number. Mr. L. F. Salzman has an amusing article on mediaeval boasts. Of the cat he writes:

It says much for the strongly marked and unchanging individuality of the cat that those extraordinarily inaccurate persons who wrote on alleged natural history in mediaeval days have, for the most part, hit off her characteristics with unusual fidelity. Two writers have between them anticipated in brief the story of the Cat that Walked by Itself, the one stating that "Once cats were all wild, but afterwards they retired to houses," the other adding that "He doth delight that he enjoyeth his liberty": in which two sentences the whole of Mr. Kipling's story is condensed. Naturally those two outstanding features of the cat, its eyes and its voice, come in for their share of attention. "Her eyes glisten above measure, especially when a man cometh to see them on a sudden, and in the night they can hardly be endured for their flaming aspect," and, moreover, she has "a peculiar direful voice," or as another more descriptive writer puts it, "he maketh a rueful noise and ghostful when one proffereth to fight with another." As a pet, the cat seems mediaevally to have been appreciated only by witches and wizards, while as a mouser its place was largely taken by the unattractive weasel, which was more energetic in its pursuit of mice and more terrible to them, inasmuch that when mice heard its cry "they all fall astonished." In spite of moral anecdotes which show the weasel to be a model mother and remarkably intelligent, I cannot picture it as a satisfactory substitute for either the frolicsome kitten or the comfortable fireside cat.

Mr. Salzman points out: Both a dog and a cat formed an essential part of a mediaeval ship's equipment, even before the majority of Richard Whittington, were so far recognised as members of the crew that if either escaped alive from a wrecked ship the ship was not regarded as derelict, and the owner could recover any goods saved from it.

DUTCH IN INDIA.

Centenary of Evacuation.

October 16th last was the centenary of the evacuation of Chinsurah by the Dutch, under the terms of the Treaty of London which exchanged the Dutch settlements on the mainland of India for certain possessions by Great Britain in Sumatra and elsewhere. The result of this Treaty was the recognition by Holland of the complete dominion of Great Britain in India, the abandonment of two centuries of a gallant struggle against it, and the disappearance of the territorial rule of Holland from the sub-continent.

Chinsurah, on the Hugly, 24 miles above Calcutta, was the site of a Dutch factory as early as the year 1645, and became the Dutch headquarters in Bengal, though afterwards subordinate to the settlement at Batavia, in Java. The administration at Chinsurah consisted of the Governor, who maintained no little state and ceremony, and seven councillors. The Governor's salary was small, but his perquisites were enormous, and the annual expense of his household amounted to 30,000 rupees. He had a bodyguard, and was entitled to a salute of 21 guns.

INVENTOR OF PUNKAH.

One of the Dutch Governors of Chinsurah is said to have been the first inventor of punkahs; about the year 1799. But the principal survival of Dutch rule there is the octagonal Dutch church containing sculptures of the successive Governors and other memorials. This church was built in 1767, and there is a cemetery with tombs dating back to 1743, the year Clive was appointed a writer in our own East India Company's service. Clive's dramatic attack on the Dutch at Chinsurah in 1759, and his whistable order to Fordo, are familiar to all acquainted with Indian history.

The last Dutch Governor of the colony was Daniel Anthony Overbeek, to whom on October 16, 1824, on his departure for Batavia, the inhabitants of Chinsurah presented a massive silver cup. The inscription on the cup, in the Dutch language, testifies to the respect and affection in which he was held. The cup, with cover and salver, weighs over 700z. troy. It has been offered by its present possessor as a gift to the museum of the Royal United Service Institution. A romantic story concerning the legendary "Overbeek curse," an estate in Dorsetshire, and the establishment at ruinous expense of a leading case in English law—attaches to the coming of the cup to this country. Governor Overbeek had no son, and his eldest daughter married a young surgeon in the Bengal Army, Rice Davies Knight, into whose family the cup ultimately passed. It is an interesting memorial of the end of the Dutch power in India.

FOSSIL TREE.

Interesting Find in Bengal.

Calcutta.—There has just been unearthed at the Asansol mining area a fossil tree estimated by scientists to be at least a million years old.

The circumstances which led to the discovery of the fossil are strange. One of a gang of coolies employed in extending the railway line at Asansol suddenly struck something extremely hard with a pick-axe almost directly under the surface of the soil. He struck a second time a little to one side and once more his tool rebounded. Thinking he had come across a vast rock and that blasting would have to be resorted to, he coolly asked his European Engineer for directions. Further digging followed and in an hour or two a rock-like object 7 feet long and 2 feet 3½ inches in diameter was lowered and crowbarred out of its bed. The discovery might have terminated here but once more fortune was favourable. The railway engineer happened to have some slight knowledge of geology, and, vaguely realising the value of the quaint-looking rock, he informed the Geological Department of the Calcutta Museum about his find. The Museum sent Major Bradshaw to verify the engineer's information, and very little analysis of the rock showed him that it was part of a petrified tree of great antiquity. Thereupon further excavation was undertaken in the same spot and at length a whole tree 70 feet long, lying horizontal with the ground, was dug up.

The scientific theory propounded as to how the tree, which is a different species from those in the neighbourhood, reached the spot where it was found is that many thousands of years ago it was brought down by a river the course of which has entirely disappeared, and deposited in a shallow backwater or lake. Here it found a soft sandy bed and the influence of the water and the hardening of the soil through the ages converted it into a solid rock.

The fossil has been transferred to the Indian Museum, Calcutta. That it will prove of immense value to geologists, helping to determine the nature of the soil of India of dim ages before man inhabited the earth, and what her vegetable growth was, cannot be doubted.

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FRAUD ON TAXI DRIVER.

Dramatist Sent To A Home.

At the London Sessions in mail week, Lechmere Worrall, 49 dramatist, surrendered to his bail and pleaded "Guilty" to a charge of obtaining by false pretences from James William Badelow, a taxicab driver, the sum of £1, with intent to defraud.

Mr. Beaufel Moore, for the prosecution, said the defendant gave Badelow a cheque for £5 in payment of certain cab fares, and got £1 change from him. Worrall must have known at the time that the cheque would not be met.

Mr. Ernest Wotton, for the defendant, said Worrall was a very renowned playwright and had made a great deal of money out of his play *The Man who Stayed at Home*. A few years ago he had a nervous breakdown. Someone he was very fond of was murdered in Russia, and this greatly upset him. There was no real reason for the defendant to drive about in taxicabs in the way he did. Counsel suggested that the defendant should be sent to a home for a short time.

Dr. Hyslop said he had examined Worrall and found him in a highly nervous state, apparently due to insomnia. He had very little control over his bodily mechanism, and was in an overwrought condition.

Sir Robert Wallace, K.C. (Chairman), said the defendant must be sent to a home for two months, and sentence would be postponed for that time. If he did not stay there he would be immediately brought back to the Court and sent to prison. "The public must be protected and this sort of thing stopped," he declared. His Lordship added that he would expect at the end of the two months a report on the defendant's mental condition and to hear that the money owing to the cabman had been repaid.

Mr. Beaufel Moore mentioned that there were similar charges pending against the defendant, and his Lordship said he would take them all into consideration when Worrall appeared before him in two months' time.

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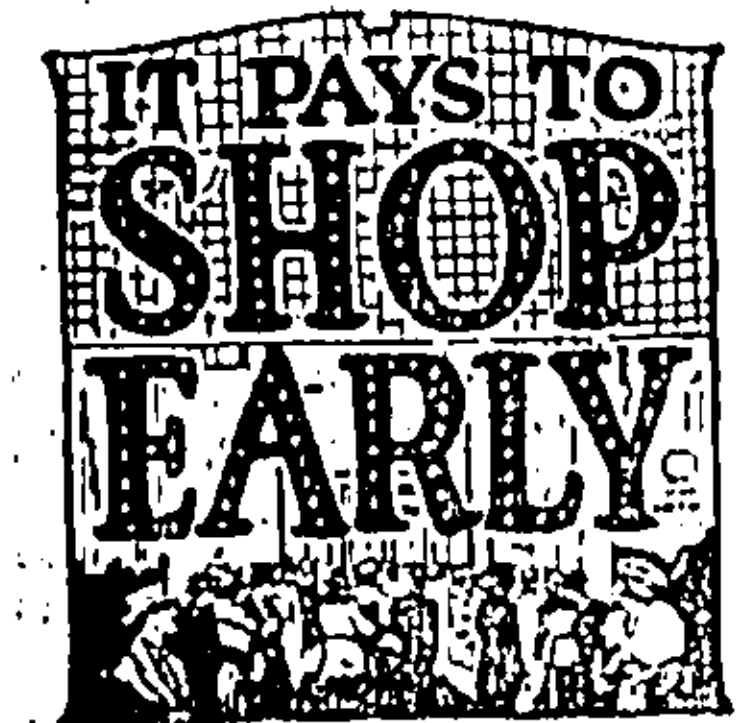
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THE PASSING OF
WU PEI-FU.

Amidst all the kaleidoscopic movements in Chinese affairs during the past few weeks, one figure has attracted to itself particular notice by reason of its almost tragic descent from the heights of success to the depths of impotency—and that is Marshal Wu Pei-fu. Shortly after the outbreak of the war in the North, most foreigners were inclined to back him against all odds, and even if they did not agree with his militarist outlook, they hoped that he would gain a decisive victory so as to make a unified administration, and an end to the late disagreements, possible. Indeed, it seemed as if the policy of "unification by force" was to have a trial, and perhaps that is what China required after all. Despite the strength of the forces, especially the well-trained troops of Marshal Chang Tso-lin, arrayed against him, Wu Pei-fu certainly had a winning hand, and that he knew his business was proved by the manoeuvres by which he preserved his men from annihilation when everything had turned against him, and the defection of General Feng Yu-hsiang threatened the Chihli army with overwhelming disaster. But he never had a chance after that, and wisely gave up the struggle. We thus come to the vital event in the recent campaign, the "betrayal" by Feng Yu-hsiang, which now appears to have resulted merely in replacing Stork by Log. However, that is outside the scope of our present discussion.

For a time it appeared as if Wu Pei-fu was to have a hand in the future administration of the country, as he offered allegiance to the Provisional President, Tuan Chi-jui; but it is doubtful whether such an "unholy alliance" of two old enemies could have lasted any longer than so many of the other alliances we have seen in China since the revolution. Very wisely, Wu has decided to retire, apparently to become a Buddhist monk. How long that retirement will last will perhaps depend on the uncertain future. We must remember that the veteran Tuan also retired not so very long ago. For the present, however, Wu can be counted out of the military and political arena. His career has been a remarkable one, even for a land where "leaders"

might spring into prominence overnight. Born fifty-one years ago, in Shantung, he showed early signs of scholastic as well as military ability, and actually entered a military school of which Tuan Chi-jui was a director. Who could have told how these two—instructor and pupil—were to cross one another's path in the years to come? But he soon afterwards came into contact with another man who was destined to rise with him to power and make an inglorious exit on his defeat, for he joined the Third Army Division of which the late President, then General Tsao Kun, was Commander. After a brilliant period of service during the revolution, he rose to be a brigade commander, and later acted for Tsao Kun in the divisional command when Tsao became Military Governor of Chihli. After helping to suppress the Monarchical movement of 1917, Wu recaptured Yochow and Changsha from the South in the campaign of 1918. Two years later he came into conflict with Tuan Chi-jui, when the latter unsuccessfully opposed the return of Wu's troops from Hunan to Chihli, and the downfall of Tuan and of his Anfu faction sowed the seeds of an enmity which it is impossible could ever be entirely eliminated. Of more recent prowess in the field of battle, might be mentioned Wu's defeat of the Fengtien forces when they invaded Chihli in 1922. Now the tables have been turned. It was in the disgraceful "election" of Tsao Kun to the Presidency that Marshal Wu recently came most prominently before the public, not only of China but the whole world, and it was only a matter of time before the opposition contested his attempt at a dictatorship. Well, now the clash has come, and luck has been against Wu Pei-fu. He passes into the wings, and leaves others on the stage; but he was a courageous man, and while he appeared in the limelight the drama did not lack interest.

"Saint Joan."

Under the guidance of Mr. W. Sinclair, the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club is nothing if not ambitious. In the past, we have certainly had some wonderful productions, thanks to the energy, the painstaking care and the undoubted artistic skill of Mr. Sinclair, who revels in bizarre effects and always strikes a note of distinct originality. Now we are to have Bernard Shaw's "Saint Joan," a play which has aroused much comment at home, as all the works of this admitted genius have. This is a really impelling drama, with touches which are characteristically Shavian, and it calls for acting of a very high order to be successfully staged. There are no fewer than six scenes and an epilogue. The undertaking of such a production is a tribute to the high ideals which our local A. D. C. sets before itself, and from many points of view the decision to put on "Saint Joan" is of consuming interest. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that this great play has just concluded a lengthy season at the New Theatre, London, with Sybil Thorndike in the title role—a fact which will at any rate show that our A. D. C. believes in the policy of keeping us up-to-date in the best that is offering in the way of dramatic fare.

U. S. Policies.

If there is one thing which the impartial observer of American politics regrets it is the apparently steady resolve of her leaders to have nothing to do with the League of Nations. Once again did President Coolidge stress America's opposition to the League, in his annual message to Congress. We do, of course, understand and appreciate the American standpoint in this matter—the intense desire to maintain past traditions of not becoming involved in international entanglements, but even so, we have an idea that the United States could throw its

DAY BY DAY.

WE SHOULD ENJOY MORE PEACE IF WE DID NOT BUSY OURSELVES WITH THE WORDS AND DEEDS OF OTHER MEN WHICH APPERTAIN NOT TO OUR CHARGE.—*Jeremy Taylor.*

Mr. J. H. Taggart left for Shanghai by the President Jackson.

Yesterday's health return shows one case each of typhoid and cerebro-spinal fever. Both were Chinese.

A collision occurred between a tram and a motor car in Des Voeux Road West yesterday, resulting in severe damage being done to the car. No one was hurt.

The Master of the s.s. Hopsang reports that whilst his boat was on the way from Bangkok to Swatow, one Chinese child died (cause unknown) and one coolie passenger died from consumption. Both bodies were buried at sea.

Lieutenant J. F. Sawyer has been appointed to the Titania, depot ship for submarines, at Hongkong; Paymaster-Lieutenant F. D. T. Churcher joins the Tamar, Hongkong, as secretary to Commodore Sterling on change of command.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Empress of Australia were the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Miss Joyce Holyoak, Sir Henry Gollan, Major Cassel, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Giles, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sleigh, Mr. W. T. Dye, Mr. I. A. Zelenksy and Mr. H. W. Ray.

The village of Sai Tan, in the Tai Koktsui district, was combed by police officers the night before last when information was received that arms were stored therein. One man was arrested, and he is now being charged with possession of a loaded automatic pistol and 14 cartridges.

The following prizes are still unclaimed, and may be obtained on application to the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Police Headquarters:—Doll's raffle, Ticket No. 88, Joan Smith, \$1.00 raffle. Ticket No. 267, safety razor, A. Callard, 10 cent raffle, Tickets Nos. 12 and 150.—*Advt.*

Captain B. H. Ramsay has been appointed to the command of the light cruiser Weymouth for her troping trip to the Far East. The Weymouth left Southampton for Hongkong on Nov. 4 with the new crew for the light cruiser Despatch, and ratings for various ships of the station. Captain Ramsay replaces Captain M. B. Birkitt, who took the Weymouth on her last relief trip.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include photographs of the Scottish Company of the Defence Corps at Church Parade on Sunday last, together with a group of this Company's officers and Mr. J. Reid, President of St. Andrew's Society; photographs taken at the laying of the first stone in the North Point seawall scheme; and a group of Commodore Grace, R. N., and his staff.

full weight into the adjustment of world conditions far more effectively by linking up with the League than by remaining so rigidly aloof. One further standpoint which cannot be overlooked is that so long as America remains outside the League, the latter's power and influence are bound to be less than they otherwise would be. It appears to us that there is an undue prejudice against the League in the States. There seems a ready inclination to "join any other World Court movement, but no desire to have anything to do with the League. That is regrettable, for after all what's a name? It is beyond question that the United States cannot for ever remain in "splendid isolation." The march of events will inevitably draw America into closer and more intimate relation with the countries of the big outside world. Only by such contact can she fulfil her rightful destiny.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

Information gathered on the waterfront shows that with so many refugees from the great fire at Wuchow in a plight of distress, the populace there is anxiously waiting relief from charitable organisations.

LOW WATER.

The water on the second bar between Dosing and Wuchow is now only eight feet high, and all Wuchow steamers are finding it increasingly difficult to proceed all the way up to that port. The only two boats now really able to approach Wuchow with a full cargo and all the passengers permitted by their certificates are the Portuguese steamers Goa and Dilly, employed on the Canton-Wuchow run. Some of the other boats have found it to their advantage to "swap" tows—i.e., one of the boats will stay at Dosing and the other will proceed up to Wuchow in ballast and tow enough lighters down to load steamers. The boats take turns in this work, which has been successfully performed by the steamers Kiochow and Taiming, and formerly also between the Wing Ping and the Wo Ping.

The Kiochow steamer Kung On returned from the Kwong Tack Chong shipbuilding yard to-day after having been thoroughly overhauled there, and went alongside the wharf near West Point. She leaves for Kongmoon this evening.

The Wuchow 13-knot passenger yacht, Kiochow (Capt. C. Jones) is leaving for that port this afternoon. As Captain Jones has been seven and a half years on the Kiochow, he is expected to get through in good time.

The B. I. steamer Tawala arrived from Japan ports yesterday and reports a heavy north-east gale, with rough seas. Her popular commander, Capt. W. A. Pitt, is still going as strong as ever.

PRESIDENT BOAT ARRIVES

The Pacific Mail liner President Cleveland arrived yesterday morning from Manila and also experienced a rough and misty weather on the run over. Amongst her passengers were Captain George Anderson, principal of the well-known local firm of marine surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe, with Mrs. Anderson. Captain Anderson returned to Hongkong about a week ago after an extensive business trip to America but later proceeded to Manila. He states that he found shipping conditions on the Pacific Coast of America and Canada quite healthy, although there was by no means a boom. In Manila, shipping conditions were rather duller, as throughout the East generally.

Mr. Arthur M. Brown, the prominent San Francisco attorney, with his wife and daughter, also arrived on the President Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Chidester are bound for Shanghai on the President Cleveland. Mr. Chidester is the President of a steamship company operating vessels direct between Los Angeles and Manila.

Another passenger on the President Cleveland, bound for San Francisco, is Mr. W. P. Hawley, President of the Hawley Pulp and Paper Company, of Oregon.

DANGEROUS SPOT.

The shipmaster who yesterday reported that there had been some shoaling up around the Althoa Bank states that this has not been very marked, but that the French surveying vessel is now busy sounding at a point roughly fifteen miles south-west by west from Kaga Point Light-house, where a new and dangerously shallow place is said to have formed. Mariners would be well advised to be on their guard while they approach the south-western sector of the fifteen-mile circle drawn with Kaga Lighthouse as a centre, until official reports are sent out by the French authorities.

SUDAN'S NEW
GOVERNOR.

Cairo, Dec. 4.

Sir Geoffrey Archer has been appointed Governor General of the Sudan.—*Reuter.*
[Sir Geoffrey Archer, K.C.M.G., who is 43 years of age, has had considerable administrative experience in Africa—in Somaliland, East Africa and Uganda. His last post was Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Uganda.]

FRANCE AND
RUSSIA.NEW UNDERSTANDING
FORESHADOWED.

Paris, Dec. 4.
Several thousands of Communists demonstrated outside the railway station, receiving M. Krassin with cheers for the Revolution. A strong force of police maintained order.



M. Krassin.

M. Krassin on arrival at the Russian Embassy told pressmen that the Soviet's immediate aims were the resumption of normal Russo-French relations, economically, commercially and financially. He denied any intention of immediately floating a loan in France.—*Reuter.*

MR. H. W. LOOKER, M. P.

FORMER HONGKONG
LAWYER ELECTED.

Home papers to hand show that in the General Election, a Unionist gain was recorded in the South-Eastern division of Essex, where Mr. H. W. Looker secured 19,731 votes, the former member, Mr. P. C. Hoffmann, Labour, receiving only 13,820.

Mr. Herbert William Looker was born at St. Ives, Huntingdonshire in 1871, was educated privately, and articled to a firm of London solicitors. In 1895 he came to Hongkong and afterwards became partner in the firm of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, from which he retired in 1919, and eventually settled at Great Baddow, Chelmsford. In 1922 he fought unsuccessfully in Central Hull against Lieut.-Com. Kenworthy, but largely increased the Conservative vote.

CHINESE SOLDIER.

STEALS IRON RODS.

A soldier from Nanking found two iron rods standing up against a wall yesterday. They did not seem to belong to anyone, he later told a police constable. His thieving instincts had asserted themselves and so he appropriated the iron, but at the critical moment he was detected by the policeman and arrested.

The story he told the Magistrate this morning was that he was to have joined the Army in Canton, but he fell sick on arrival in the Colony and went into the Tung Wah Hospital. He left a few days ago, but was in an utterly destitute state.

Mr. N. L. Smith lent a sympathetic ear to this tale of distress, and whilst sentencing the man to seven days' hard labour suggested to the prosecuting police officer that something might be done for him.

Inspector Spear said he would make a note of his Worship's wish, and possibly something might be done for the man on his discharge from prison.

FOOTBALL.

CLUB v. SOUTH CHINA B.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club in their league match versus South China B. on Saturday, the 6th inst., kick off 4 p.m. on Club Ground:—G. B. Rodger, W. G. Gerrard (Capt.), C. E. Bishop, A. Malt, J. Stewart, G. Watson, T. Pile, H. G. Howard, G. J. Jones, P. Evelyn and W. J. S. Kay.

SPORTS GOSSIP.

THE ALL "WHACKS" EIGHT BACK GAME.

[BY "WANDERER."]

Quite an interesting match should be in progress on the Hongkong cricket ground by the time this appears in print. A team of lady cricketers will try conclusions with a team of gentlemen and the latter are handicapped in that they have permission to catch with one hand only and must not bowl too hard. It serves as a reminder of similar matches at Home when the mere man has been obliged to bowl as well as bat with his left hand, has assumed a dignified position at the wicket with a broomstick, and in extreme cases, has been forced to waddle about the field with his feet tied some nine inches apart. Chief objection to this afternoon's game is that it is being played this afternoon instead of at some other time when a larger number of people can attend to watch the fun.

Golf enthusiasts in Kowloon will welcome the opening of the Kowloon City course to-morrow and no doubt if the number of "Foras" which will be called were tallied up quite a respectable sum in dollars would be realised. The official opening has been delayed until Sunday, January 18th, when His Excellency the Governor and His Excellency the General Officer Commanding have signified their intention of being present.

Many, varied and peculiar are the reasons which from time to time have been advanced to account for the Eurreys nickname "The Irons". Talking to Charlesworth, their captain, a day or so ago, I was told it arises out of the fact that a large contingent of recruits from West Ham joined the regiment some four years ago. The appellation was first applied to their section alone but later developed into the popular cry of the whole battalion. It is interesting to recall that Syd Puddefoot, the Scottish international centre-forward, one time with West Ham but now playing for Falkirk was once a member of Charlesworth's team.

"Patsy" Hendren's 168 against Tasmania is further evidence of his liking for Australian wickets. In 1920-1 Hendren scored 1178 runs in 20 innings an average of 52.00, which incidentally is the highest ever returned by an English player in Australia. His biggest score in that season was 271, very close to the English record made by F. E. Woolley who hit 305 not out against Tasmania in 1911-12.

The unbroken run of success of the "All Blacks" fifteen at pre-

TWO-MINUTE TALKS A Daily Topic By ROBERT POWER CULTIVATION.

To cultivate is to plan, improve and foster. We see the word in clearest meaning when we examine two plots of ground. Both are much of a size, the soil is similar, the rain, sunshine, and winds have impartially caressed both, but whereas one is stocked with flowers and fruit, a joy to the eye and a profit to the owner, the other is filled with weeds and rubbish, and what plants there are have a struggling, half-ashamed appearance. "There has been no proper cultivation in that one," you will say, pointing out the weed-infested patch.

Cultivation is by no means confined to horticulture. All around we see the evidence of the culture which, so far as social usages are concerned, has lifted us from savages to a life of comparative luxury. We have a further culture found in art, in music, and in literature—a growth fostered by and genius animated by human achievement.

There is a cultivation of manners, an art by some dignified into something almost sacred. This is a culture which may well prove a vice, unless we observe the common-sense of moderation. For just as fine clothes do not make the man, an exquisitely dressed of polite observances may mask a fallow brain, more foppishness unaccompanied by solid attainments of the mind.

Education is often confused with culture. In education is found the sowing-time of the patient teacher. In school and college they cast into the fields of

the mentality the seeds of knowledge, while at the same time instruction and counsel may be compared to plough and harrow, opening the soil and afterwards raking it to remove the stones and rubbish. But when the soil has been prepared, and the crop sown, then there must be growth and culture.

How many a man has had the advantage of a fine education, paid for at lavish cost and given by those who are well fitted to act as teachers! But neither preceptor nor professor can turn that education into culture. Seeds may be cast and die. Little springing plants may wither through cold winds or want of rain and sun. Promising growths may be devoured by slugs and insect pests, but cultivation fights against these adverse influences. The good gardener weeds and waters; hoes and harrows; shields from too much sun and wages war upon the enemies of his little charges. It means hard work and perseverance. Cultivation always means an element of drudging toil.

To assimilate a mass of facts may be a form of education. It is not cultivation. To acquire, as it were, a veneer of education, does not necessarily mean that the mind is rich with germinating life. Some of the most "educated men" have been the most ignorant. Others who had but little educational advantage are rich with culture.

Cultivate? Make the most and the best of what you possess!

son touring the British Isles gives one to wonder whether their formation of eight backs and seven forwards is of more advantage to them than the formation generally in vogue in Britain. The chief fault of the formation adopted by the "All Blacks" is said to be its tendency to over-elaboration and reading reports one gathers that many of their movements fail because of bunching. Admittedly the additional back available renders their defence more difficult to overcome, and probably the break through is more likely to do the trick than orthodox passing bouts. The British formation appears the simpler and one would imagine that an intelligent pack of eight would out-scrammage any seven, though on the other hand, one less in the pack probably makes healing easier.

A question which naturally arises when discussing the style is what will happen should one of their best forwards be injured? Will they play with seven backs or with a pack of six? I notice Wales in her international trials is exploiting the New Zealand game and with fair success.

Commenting on a scene after a football match at Happy Valley on Saturday, a local contemporary states:—"It is to be regretted that a scene took place between two of the opposing players after the game had finished. Such actions bring the game into disrepute and should be avoided as far as possible." Possibly pugilistically-inclined footballers would be well advised to count twenty and turn round three times before considering the possibilities.

The University players having been excused during the examinations, the Second Division Football League match between the Club Reserves and the University has been indefinitely postponed.

ADMIT FOREIGN TREES.

The immigration bars have been fitted to admit many foreign trees into the United States. Experiments in growing various "immigrant" species of trees are being made in arboreums that have been established by the United States Forest Service. The famous monkey puzzle tree of South America is among the newcomers.

OUR FOOTBALL CARTOON.

(By Stan. Hill)



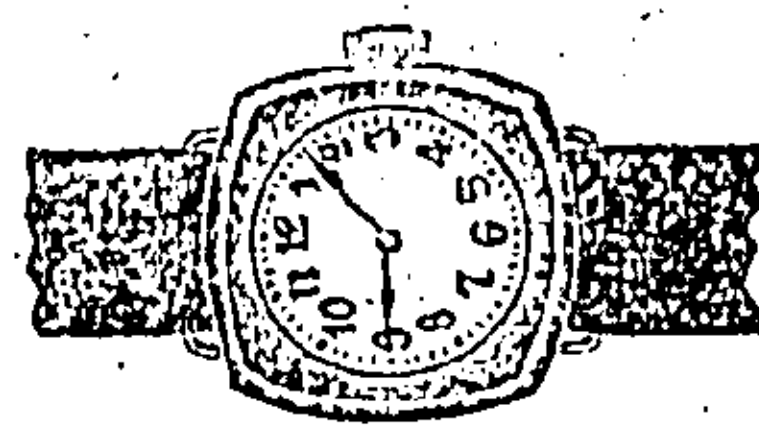
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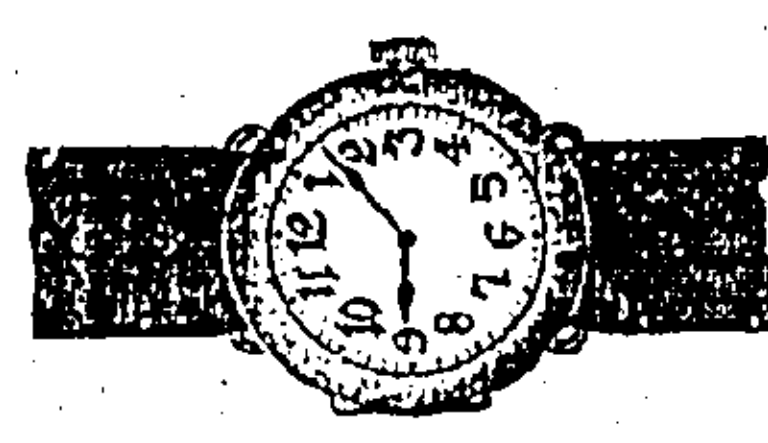
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CINEMA NOTES.

"THE GIRL WHO CAME BACK."

The popularity of two actors in the Al Lichtman attraction, "The Girl Who Came Back" now running at the World Theatre, chiselled two worry-wrinkles in the forehead of Tom Forman, the director of the feature.

They are Za Su Pitts, Griffith discovery, and Kenneth Harlan, whose work with Constance Talmadge, and later in "Thorns and Orange Blossoms" will be remembered by all feminine cinema-goers.

For at the same time these two players were appearing in "The Girl Who Came Back," they were also acting in one other picture apiece. Za Su was working with Gaebler, on the Schulberg studio lot, through whose generosity she was loaned to Mr. Forman.

Mr. Harlan was playing the featured role in "Temporary Marriage," a Jobelma Production, having been borrowed from Mr. Schulberg for the picture by the director.

In the cast of the picture, besides the two players mentioned above, are Miriam Cooper, Gaston Glass, Joseph Dowling and Fred Malatesta.

"BLOOD AND SAND."

Douglas Fairbanks gives place to a newer-comer in the art of the film at the Coronet, and from an enjoyable fantasy in which all hearts went out to "The Thief of Bagdad," we come back to romance and reality of the world that we know and live in. "Blood and Sand" is of Spain itself; a story written by a writer known far outside the boundaries of his own beloved country—a country he sees slipping into decay from which he would rescue it, who has earned the plaudits of discriminating readers, and who preached a sermon in the "Four Horsemen" that will live long in the memory. Here is the stage set for the exploitation of the hatreds, the loves and desires of a very engaging people. The title itself smacks of bull fights and the picturesqueness that surrounds such things. Rudolph is, in this, not a Sheikh; he is no dusky potentate whom pale love-lorn ladies sigh for. He is something more in the fashion of the men we know and can appreciate, and carries with it all a fascination that is added to as the story proceeds. Valentino's name will be sufficient to draw the usual crowds to the Coronet, but those who attend can be assured of a picture that ranks high in the film world and is well worth seeing.

"ST. JOAN."

A.D.C. FORTHCOMING PRODUCTION.

Booking for the A.D.C.'s production of Bernard Shaw's "St. Joan" under the personal direction of Mr. W. Sinclair, opens at the Anderson Music Store on Monday, the 15th inst, at 9 a.m. "St. Joan," which is a chronicle play in six scenes and an epilogue, is rightly described as "the most brilliant drama of the century" and is also a great historical pageant. It will be found the A.D.C.'s most ambitious production and a play which certainly should not be missed. The evening performances will commence at 9 p.m. sharp, the matinee at 4.30 p.m.

SHARE MARKET.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. G. P. and H. A. Lammer advise us that they are in receipt of the following cabled quotations from their London Agents this morning:—

Anglo-Persian.—65/9 sellers.
Tronohs.—55/3 buyers; 58/3 sellers.
Shell Transport.—86/- buyers; 88/6 sellers.
Mexical Eagles.—18/3 buyers; 19/6 sellers.
Indo China def.—£14 3/4 buyers; £15.3/8 sellers.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. have kindly supplied us with the following cable quotations of Shanghai stocks from their Shanghai office:—

Langkats (comb.)—Tls. 19, buyers.
Ewos.—Tls. 12, buyers.
Shanghai Docks.—Tls. 104, buyers.
New Engineerings.—Tls. 7.30, buyers.
Orientals.—Tls. 3.75, buyers.
Shanghai Cotton.—Tls. 59, buyers.

SILKWORKS IN JAMAICA.

Cocoons have been sent to the Imperial Institute by the Jamaica Agricultural Society in connection with an effort which is being made to establish the silkworm industry in Jamaica. Executive officers of the Agricultural Society are said to be satisfied with the progress that has been made since experiments were started more than a year ago, and the experimental field is to be widened, a plot of land having been procured near Kingston for the purpose.

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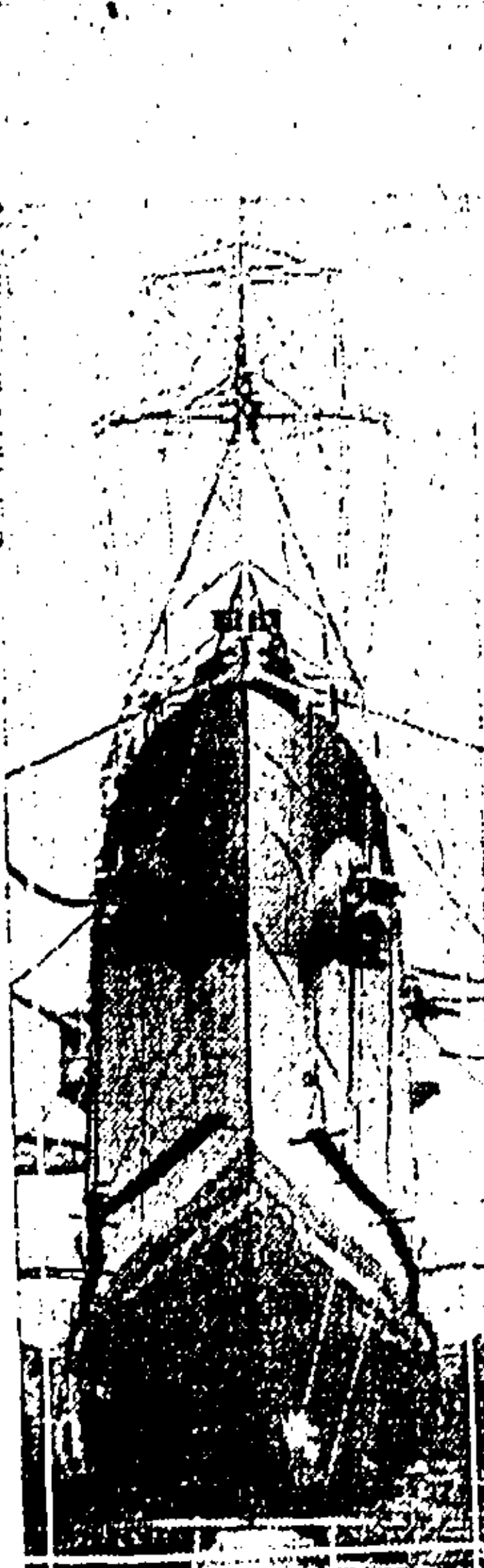
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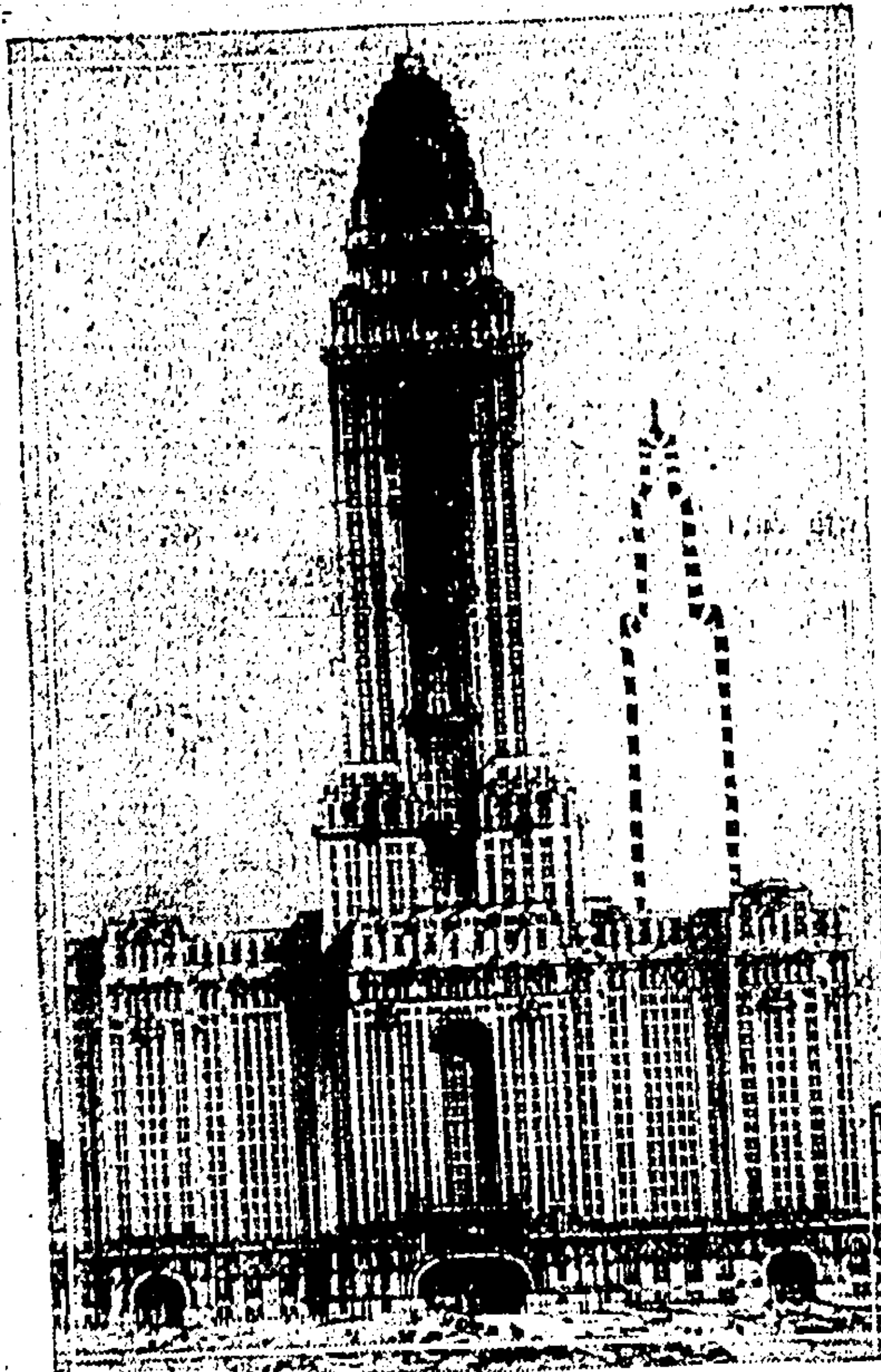
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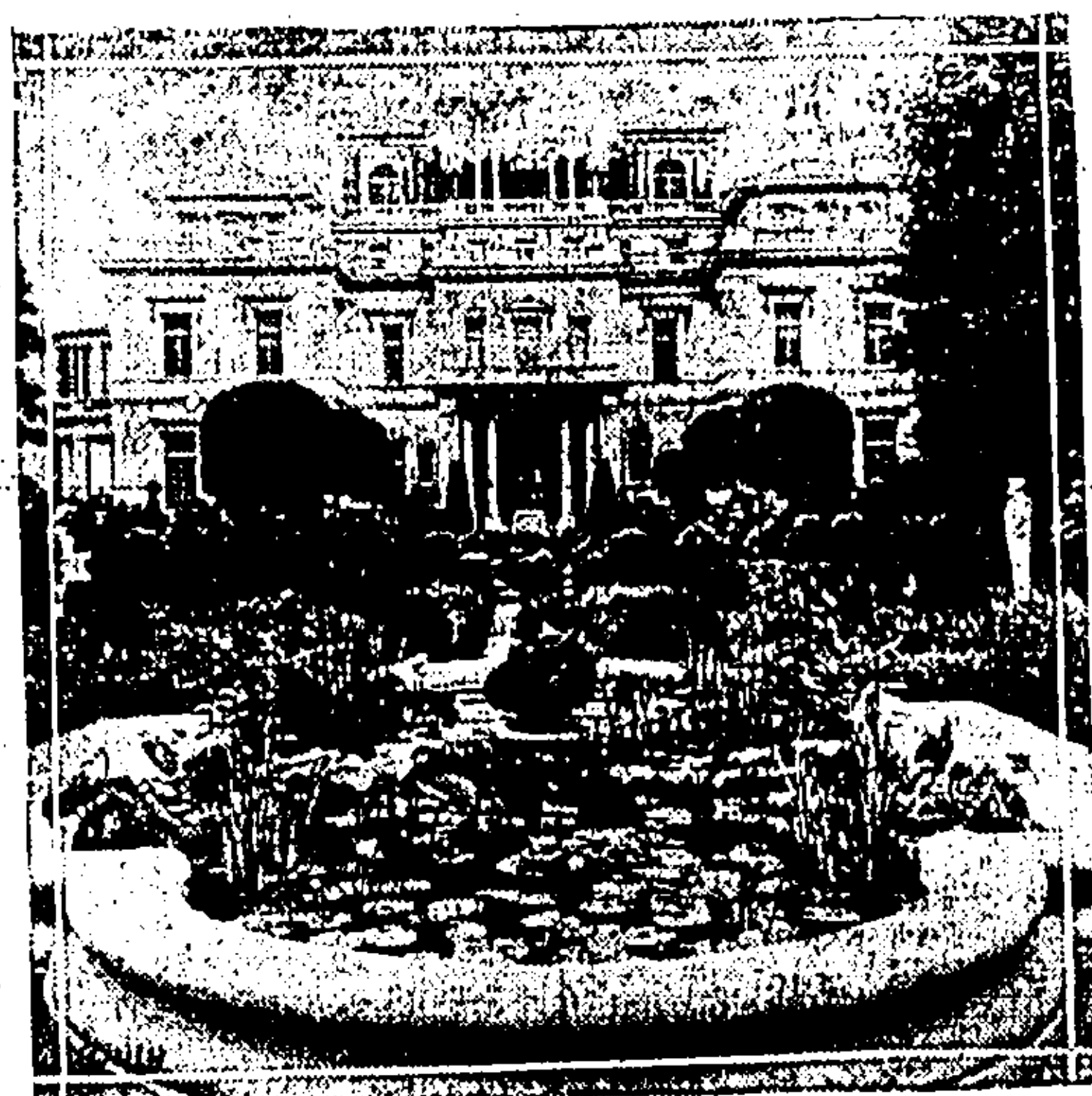
BOW ON.—A fish-eye view of
the Marblehead, latest scout cru-
iser, in dry dock at the Brooklyn
Navy Yard. It attained a speed of
35 knots on its trial run. It carries
two seaplanes and its armament
includes ten torpedo tubes and 12-
six-inch guns.



ITALIAN SKYSCRAPER.—Italy is entering the skyscraper
field with a projected building in Rome, 1100 feet tall, to be called
the "Mole Littorie." The Woolworth Building, indicated by a
dotted line on the right, is only 792 feet high. The new building
is to contain 4,500 rooms, a concert hall, gymnasiums and trating
space for all sports.



FLYING FAMILY.—These three members of the
same family flew in the National Air Congress at Wichita,
Kansas. Clyde Cessna (left) began flying 14 years ago
in a home plane; his father, James, 68 (centre), is a
veteran aviator, and Burke Cessna (right), another son,
also is an experienced pilot. Two other sons at the home
of the Cessnas also are aviators.



POVERTY TO AFFLUENCE.—Marcus Loew was once a rag-
ged newsboy in New York's East Side. Here is the home he has
just bought at Glen Cove, Long Island. It cost the present theatre
magnate almost a million dollars.



ELECTION TOUR.—Lloyd
George (right) and Sir Alfred
Mond are seen here peering out
of widow of a railway car as their
train pulled out of Waterloo
Station during the recent Election.



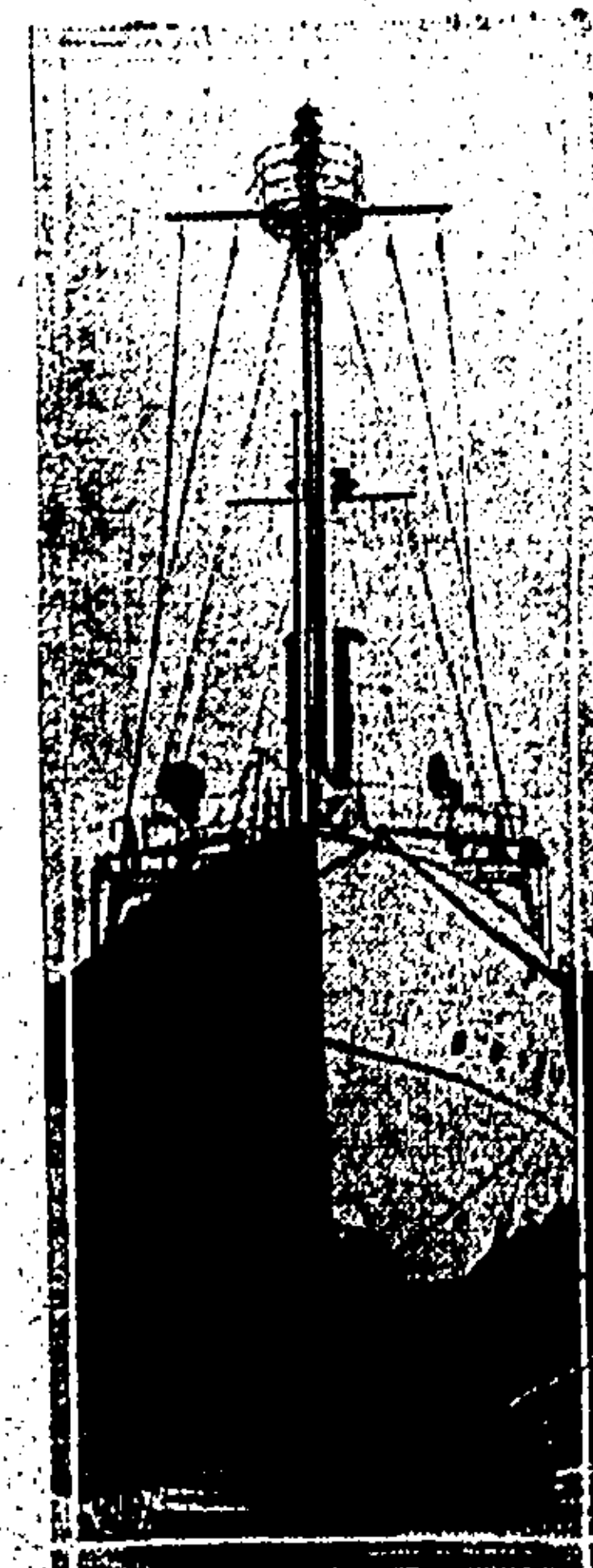
SPEEDY TYPISTS.—Albert Tangore, of Paterson, was given
a huge cup as the "world's speediest typist." He wrote 130 words
a minute at the business show in New York. Here he is being con-
gratulated by Bessie Friedman, also of Paterson, who was second
with 126 words a minute.



A RECORD.—Six generations of one family are represented
in this picture. All, except one, were born in Mauney, U.S.A.
where all save one still live.



HELPING HUSBAND.—Mrs. Robert M. La Follette has been
doing considerable stumping for her husband in his presidential
campaign. She was the first woman ever admitted to the bar in
Wisconsin.



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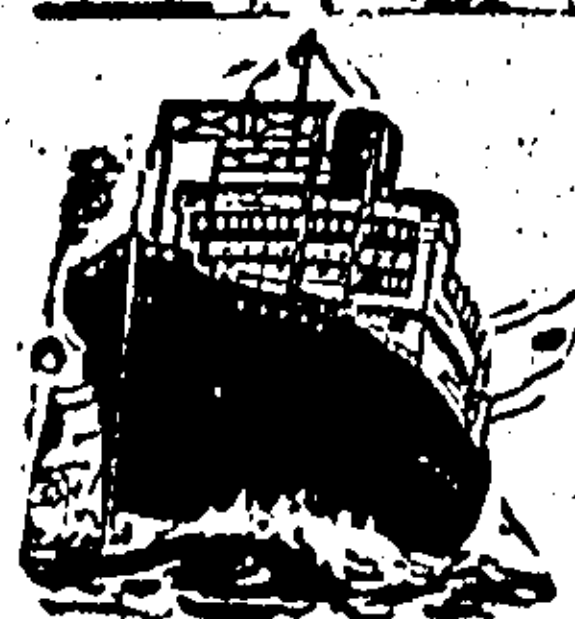
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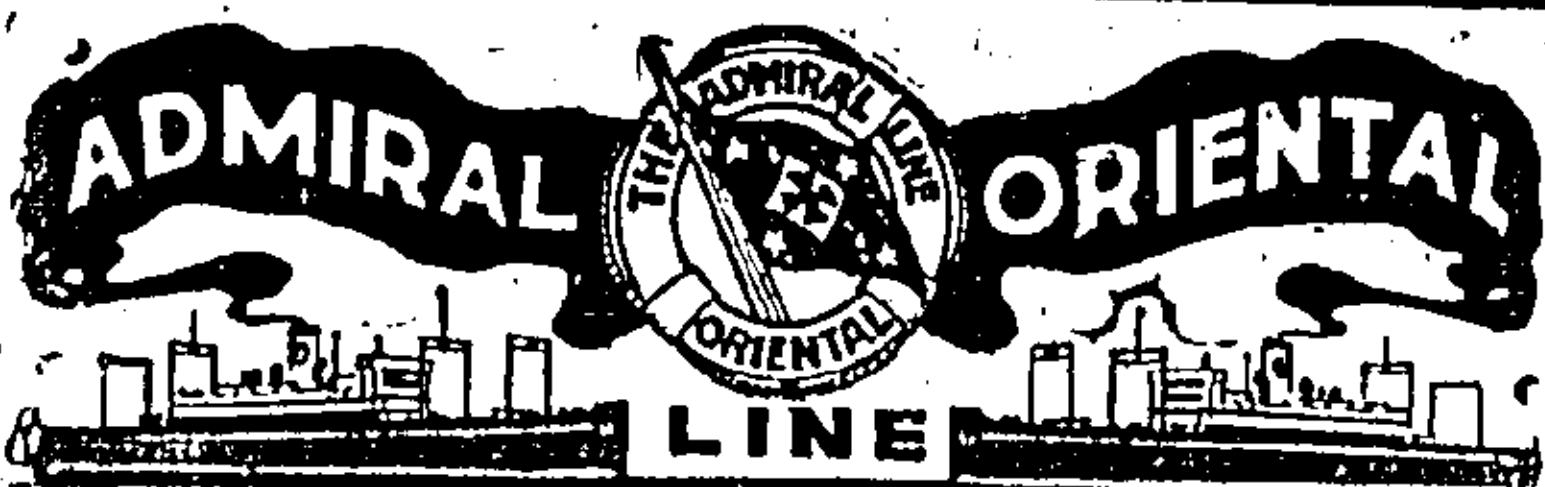
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KHIVA	9,135	27th Dec.	M'les, L'don, R'dam, H'burg, Antwerp & Hull
MACEDONIA	11,089	10th Jan. 1925	Marseilles & London
SICILIA	6,813	21st Jan. "	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,118	24th Jan. "	M'les, L'don, R'dam & A'worp
MORRA	10,911	7th Feb. "	Marseilles & London
SARDINIA	6,684	18th Feb. "	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,963	21st Feb. "	M'les, London & Antwerp
WALWA	10,941	7th Mar. "	Marseilles & London
SOUDAN	6,696	18th Mar. "	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,005	21st Mar. "	M'les, London & Antwerp
SICILIA	6,813	31st Mar. "	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MANTUA	10,902	4th Apr. "	Marseilles & London
KARMALA	9,098	18th Apr. "	M'les, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,089	2nd May "	Marseilles & London
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ARAFURA	6,000	31st Dec.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is.
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SICILIA	9,118	27th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	27th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
WALWA	8,500	3rd Jan. 1925	Moji & Kobe
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MORRA	10,911	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe

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GOOD PICTURES.

Mr. Percival is also a photographer, and a good one, and what he says about the difficulty of obtaining photographs and their value is the more significant in that it comes from a man who has done much shooting in his time, and, moreover, as game ranger, has made it the business of his life to study animals in all possible ways. He says that the camera exceeds the rifle in the demands it makes on the ability of the stalker; the photographer must approach the animal more closely, on the other hand, his opportunity for observing his beast does not end with the shot that kills it clean.

There is nothing to equal the charm of lying hidden near water-hole or salt-lick, watching the animal life entirely ignorant of your presence, within a few yards, or, as sometimes may happen, a few feet.

Such observations are, however, only one of many sources of information upon which his notes are based. As the official responsible for the preservation of game in the reserves, he has to consider the interaction of different species and the conditions that accompany and stimulate breeding. When a certain railway was constructed the lions increased in number, though more of them were shot; the explanation is that the hunters singled out "the heaviest" or "old" lions, who would have a number of females; "the heaviest" were broken up, and younger and more vigorous lions came by mates. Mr. Percival has much to say about animal motherhood: the lioness will take charge of a friend's children, with the result that litters are thought to be larger than they are; a cow elephant will carry her calf pressed against her chest while fording a stream; the young hippopotamus may often be seen on the back of the mother when she swims. These are but samples of lore that pervades the whole book.

EQUIPMENT FOR SINGAPORE.
The General Electric Co., Ltd. have recently secured the order for a large, complete apparatus for the supply of electricity to the Singapore. This apparatus consists of four 750 k.w.

